

"DRY" GRAND JURY FILLED, BUT ONLY BY EXTRA PANEL

First Time This Has Ever
Been Necessary Here—
Many Denounce Law.

The July Grand Jury for Justice Borah's Special Term of the Supreme Court to handle cases of violation of the Mullan-Gage law was completed to-day after fifty talesmen had been examined. Of sixteen examined to-day eleven were excused because they said—some of them with considerable heat and emphasis—that they are opposed to the methods used by the police in making raids under the Mullan-Gage act, and that they did not believe the act was a necessary piece of legislation. In yesterday's court proceedings seventeen talesmen were excused because they announced similar sentiments.

The first panel was exhausted yesterday and a new panel of fifty was called to-day. This is the first time in the history of New York County that it has been necessary to summon an extra panel to complete a Grand Jury.

Justice Borah surprised the District Attorney and the court attendants by announcing that the Grand Jury was complete after twenty-two members had been selected. The rule has been in this city to make twenty-three a Grand Jury membership. Up-State, where Justice Borah lives, twenty-two Grand Jurors form a legal body. The foreman of the Grand Jury bears the singularly inappropriate name of Lovejoy—Ernest William Lovejoy. He is a certified public accountant, with an office at No. 123 Liberty Street.

In his charge to the Grand Jury Justice Borah emphasized the necessity for good citizens to aid in the enforcement of all laws, whether popular or not. He said the Mullan-Gage act gave policemen power to invade public or semi-public places where there was a suspicion that liquor had been sold, and that the Grand Jury would not have to consider any cases of invasion of private homes.

After being sworn in the Grand Jury held a brief session, at the conclusion of which the foreman reported that eight complaints had been considered and all dismissed.

Plant Case Witness Pleads Guilty. William G. Hoffman, a chauffeur, of Great Neck, who testified for the State in the trials of former County Detective Carmen Plant, Superintendent of Buildings Aubrey Pettit and Herbert F. Harvey, all convicted in Minceola of conspiracy and criminally receiving stolen property, pleaded guilty to the charge of criminally receiving stolen property before Justice Cropper in the Supreme Court in Minceola to-day. He was remanded to jail to await sentence.

DEEP SEA MYSTERY REPORTED

Says Fast Sailing Steamship Vanished—May Explain Missing Ship.

BALTIMORE, July 6.—According to an encounter at midnight on the high seas with a mysterious steamer of unusual speed and bearing only two lights, Captain Giles of the steamship Minuteman, a custom house officer at the local Customs House, which may help clear up the mysterious disappearance of many ships at sea.

The Baltimore skipper told how the strange vessel approached very closely, apparently for a look at the Minuteman, which was in ballast, and then turned. The masthead and range lights, the only ones burning, disappeared almost in a moment.

According to the Second Officer, who made the report to his superior, the stranger was sighted on Thursday morning, June 29, heading west. The latitude and longitude indicated that the meeting took place 300 miles east of Philadelphia.

Found Wife Dead From Gas.

Unable because of a cold to smell escaping gas, Mrs. Lillian Hewson, forty-three, of No. 4238 Park Avenue, the Bronx, was overcome in her home last night and was dead when her husband, Thomas J. Hewson, returned. He found her body on the kitchen floor. It is supposed she accidentally turned on the gas while preparing to do ironing.



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68 BOTTLES OF WHISKEY HIDDEN UNDER A RUG.

But Police Couldn't Confiscate, So U. S. Takes Case.

Patrick Flanagan, No. 118 Nelson Street, Brooklyn, appeared before United States Commissioner Hennessy in Brooklyn to-day to surrender himself on a charge of having liquor in his possession. He pleaded not guilty and was put under \$1,000 bail. United States Attorney Ross procured a Federal warrant yesterday for Flanagan's arrest, based on the failure of a prosecution by the police under the Mullan-Gage law.

Inspector Walsh's detectives arrested Flanagan April 16 in his saloon at No. 530 Vanderbilt Avenue. They said that after he had refused to sell them anything stronger than ginger ale, Flanagan permitted them to search the saloon, in which they found no prohibited liquor. With a key they found behind the bar they searched an apartment above and found sixty-eight bottles of whiskey under a rolled-up rug. Judge Strickland May in the County Court charged Flanagan on the ground that there was no warrant for the search of the apartment.

Sailor Found in Coma in Central Park.

A sailor identified as J. P. Sullivan, attached to the Naval Hospital in Brooklyn, and assigned to the U. S. S. Martha Washington, was taken to Bellevue Hospital from the sheep fold in Central Park last night in a state of coma. The cause of Sullivan's condition was not learned.

OFFICIALS DENY STORY OF MUTINY ON STEAMER.

Pocahontas Had Engine Trouble, but Other Reports Erroneous.

Officials of the United States Mail Steamship Company today denied reports from Naples that a mutiny had occurred on the steamship Pocahontas during her voyage from New York.

Two men in the engine room, who had given some trouble, were arrested and confined on order of the ship at St. Michael's on arrival of the American Consul. It was also said that the captain had reported engine trouble, but nothing came from him as to a mutiny, attempts to sink the ship or re-

ceiving aid from passengers in repairing machinery. The Pocahontas, owned by the Shipping Board, is operated by the United States Mail Line. She left here with 130 passengers.

THINK FIRE SUSPICIOUS.

Firemen called to the apartment of Raffaele Belgaro, on the third floor of No. 3386 Third Avenue, the Bronx, last night reported to the Fire Marshal that they had detected the odor of kerosene in the apartment after a slight blaze there had been put out.

Belgaro said he had been away all day and could not explain how the fire had started.

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